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In re application of:

Applicant: W. M. Balaba et al.) Examiner: Elizabeth M. Cole
Serial No.: 09/755,778) Group Art Unit: 1771
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For: Synthetic Wood)

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Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
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Sir:

REFUND REQUEST

An Amendment with a three-month extension of time was filed in the USPTO on December 19, 2002 in the above-identified patent application.

The fee should have been \$460.00 for the three-month extension of time for small entity.

The Amendment Cover Page (page one) is enclosed highlighting the proper fees of \$55.00 (terminal disclaimer) and \$460.00 (extension of time).

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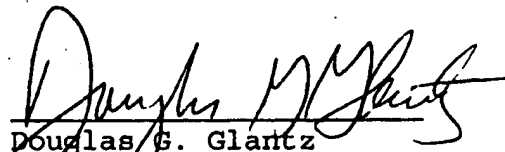
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Respectfully submitted,

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